

Amendment to the Claims

1. (Currently Amended) An organic electroluminescent device comprising:
a transparent electrode,
a counter electrode arranged opposite to the transparent electrode,
one or more intermediate conductive layers and one or more organic emitting layers
arranged between the transparent electrode and the counter electrode,
wherein the difference between n_a and n_b is 0.2 or less when n_a is the refractive index
of an intermediate conductive layer and n_b is the refractive index of an organic emitting
layer, and the organic emitting layer comprises a hole injection layer, an organic
luminescent medium and an electron injection layer.

2. (Currently Amended) An organic electroluminescent device comprising:
a transparent electrode,
a counter electrode arranged opposite to the transparent electrode,
one or more intermediate conductive layers and a plurality of organic emitting layers
sandwiching an intermediate conductive layer therebetween, the intermediate conductive
layers and the organic emitting layers arranged between the transparent electrode and the
counter electrode,
wherein the difference between n_a , and n_b and/or n_c is 0.2 or less when n_a is the
refractive index of an intermediate conductive layer, n_b is the refractive index of a first
organic emitting layer and n_c is the refractive index of a second organic emitting layer, the
intermediate conductive layer sandwiched between the first and second organic emitting
layers, and the organic emitting layer comprises a hole injection layer, an organic
luminescent medium and an electron injection layer.

3. – 6. (Cancelled)

7. (Previously Presented) The organic electroluminescent device according to claim 1, wherein the absorption coefficient (unit: $1/\mu\text{m}$) of the intermediate conductive layer, the refractive index of which is n_a , is 2.5 or less.

8. (Previously Presented) A display comprising the organic electroluminescent device of claim 1.

9. (New) The organic electroluminescent device according to claim 2, wherein the absorption coefficient (unit: $1/\mu\text{m}$) of the intermediate conductive layer, the refractive index of which is n_a , is 2.5 or less.

10. (New) A display comprising the organic electroluminescent device of claim 2.

11. (New) An organic electroluminescent device comprising:

a transparent electrode,
a counter electrode arranged opposite to the transparent electrode,
one or more intermediate conductive layers and one or more organic emitting layers arranged between the transparent electrode and the counter electrode,
wherein the difference between n_a and n_b is 0.2 or less when n_a is the refractive index of an intermediate conductive layer and n_b is the refractive index of an organic emitting layer, and the intermediate conductive layer, the refractive index of which is n_a , is a laminate

comprising a layer having a higher refractive index than n_b and a layer having a lower refractive index than n_b .

12. (New) The organic electroluminescent device according to claim 11, wherein the absorption coefficient (unit: $1/\mu\text{m}$) of the intermediate conductive layer, the refractive index of which is n_a , is 2.5 or less.

13. (New) A display comprising the organic electroluminescent device of claim 11.

14. (New) An organic electroluminescent device comprising:
a transparent electrode,
a counter electrode arranged opposite to the transparent electrode,
one or more intermediate conductive layers and a plurality of organic emitting layers sandwiching an intermediate conductive layer therebetween, the intermediate conductive layers and the organic emitting layers arranged between the transparent electrode and the counter electrode,

wherein the difference between n_a , and n_b and/or n_c is 0.2 or less when n_a is the refractive index of an intermediate conductive layer, n_b is the refractive index of a first organic emitting layer and n_c is the refractive index of a second organic emitting layer, the intermediate conductive layer sandwiched between the first and second organic emitting layers, and the intermediate conductive layer, the refractive index of which is n_a , is a laminate comprising a layer having a higher refractive index than n_b and/or n_c and a layer having a lower refractive index than n_b and/or n_c .

15. (New) The organic electroluminescent device according to claim 14, wherein the absorption coefficient (unit: $1/\mu\text{m}$) of the intermediate conductive layer, the refractive index of which is n_a , is 2.5 or less.
16. (New) A display comprising the organic electroluminescent device of claim 14.
17. (New) An organic electroluminescent device comprising:
a transparent electrode,
a counter electrode arranged opposite to the transparent electrode,
one or more intermediate conductive layers and one or more organic emitting layers arranged between the transparent electrode and the counter electrode,
wherein the difference between n_a and n_b is 0.2 or less when n_a is the refractive index of an intermediate conductive layer and n_b is the refractive index of an organic emitting layer, and the intermediate conductive layer, the refractive index of which is n_a , is a layer comprising a mixture of a material having a higher refractive index than n_b and a material having a lower refractive index than n_b .
18. (New) The organic electroluminescent device according to claim 17, wherein the absorption coefficient (unit: $1/\mu\text{m}$) of the intermediate conductive layer, the refractive index of which is n_a , is 2.5 or less.
19. (New) A display comprising the organic electroluminescent device of claim 17.
20. (New) An organic electroluminescent device comprising:
a transparent electrode,

a counter electrode arranged opposite to the transparent electrode,
one or more intermediate conductive layers and a plurality of organic emitting layers sandwiching an intermediate conductive layer therebetween, the intermediate conductive layers and the organic emitting layers arranged between the transparent electrode and the counter electrode,

wherein the difference between n_a , and n_b and/or n_c is 0.2 or less when n_a is the refractive index of an intermediate conductive layer, n_b is the refractive index of a first organic emitting layer and n_c is the refractive index of a second organic emitting layer, the intermediate conductive layer sandwiched between the first and second organic emitting layers, and the intermediate conductive layer, the refractive index of which is n_a , is a layer comprising a mixture of a material having a higher refractive index than n_b and/or n_c and a material having a lower refractive index than n_b and/or n_c .

21. (New) The organic electroluminescent device according to claim 20, wherein the absorption coefficient (unit: $1/\mu\text{m}$) of the intermediate conductive layer, the refractive index of which is n_a , is 2.5 or less.

22. (New) A display comprising the organic electroluminescent device of claim 20.

23. (New) An organic electroluminescent device comprising:
a transparent electrode,
a counter electrode arranged opposite to the transparent electrode,
one or more intermediate conductive layers and one or more organic emitting layers arranged between the transparent electrode and the counter electrode,

wherein the difference between n_a and n_b is 0.2 or less when n_a is the refractive index of an intermediate conductive layer and n_b is the refractive index of an organic emitting layer, and the intermediate conductive layer, the refractive index of which is n_a , comprises a material having a low refractive index and a transparent conductive material selected from oxides, nitrides, iodides and borides of metals.

24. (New) The organic electroluminescent device according to claim 23, wherein the material having a low refractive index is a metal halide, and the transparent conductive material is a conductive metal oxide.

25. (New) The organic electroluminescent device according to claim 23, wherein the absorption coefficient (unit: $1/\mu\text{m}$) of the intermediate conductive layer, the refractive index of which is n_a , is 2.5 or less.

26. (New) A display comprising the organic electroluminescent device of claim 23.

27. (New) An organic electroluminescent device comprising:

a transparent electrode,

a counter electrode arranged opposite to the transparent electrode,

one or more intermediate conductive layers and a plurality of organic emitting layers sandwiching an intermediate conductive layer therebetween, the intermediate conductive layers and the organic emitting layers arranged between the transparent electrode and the counter electrode,

wherein the difference between n_a , and n_b and/or n_c is 0.2 or less when n_a is the refractive index of an intermediate conductive layer, n_b is the refractive index of a first

organic emitting layer and n_c is the refractive index of a second organic emitting layer, the intermediate conductive layer sandwiched between the first and second organic emitting layers, and the intermediate conductive layer, the refractive index of which is n_a , comprises a material having a low refractive index and a transparent conductive material selected from oxides, nitrides, iodides and borides of metals.

28. (New) The organic electroluminescent device according to claim 27, wherein the material having a low refractive index is a metal halide, and the transparent conductive material is a conductive metal oxide.

29. (New) The organic electroluminescent device according to claim 27, wherein the absorption coefficient (unit: $1/\mu\text{m}$) of the intermediate conductive layer, the refractive index of which is n_a , is 2.5 or less.

30. (New) A display comprising the organic electroluminescent device of claim 27.